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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on May 9, 2005 is not responsive to the prior Office Action because: the subject matter that applicant seeks to delete from the claims is not marked in accordance with 37 CFR 1.173. More specifically, all deleted subject matter must be enclosed in single brackets and not double brackets.

Note, the period for response continues to run from the April 8, 2005 date established in the prior Office Action. Since that period for reply has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Further note, no period for extension of time can exceed past the six month date from April 8, 2005.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Matthew B. Smithers whose telephone number is (571) 272-3876. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00-4:30) EST.

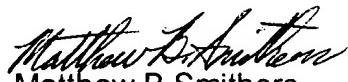
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew T. Caldwell can be reached on (571) 272-3868. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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